UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

MARK KAPITI,

Plaintiff,

(RMB)(KNF)

Docket No.: 07 Civ. 3782

- against

Hon. Kevin N. Fox (M.J.)

RAYMOND W. KELLY, in his official capacity as Commissioner of the New York City Police Department, PROPERTY CLERK, New York City Police Department, and The CITY OF NEW YORK,

DECLARATION

Defendants.

STEVEN L. KESSLER declares under penalty of perjury:

- 1. I represent plaintiff Mark Kapiti in the referenced civil rights action brought pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. I make this Declaration, based upon my review of the file, discussions with my client and participation in the proceedings herein, in opposition to defendants' motion to compel plaintiff to execute a release unsealing criminal records.
- 2. Attached as Exhibit "A" is a copy of the criminal court information relating to the charges filed against plaintiff in connection with the seizure of his vehicle.
- 3. Attached as Exhibit "B" is a copy of the Property Clerk's Motor Vehicle/Boat Invoice for the impoundment of plaintiff's vehicle.

- 5. Attached as Exhibit "D" is a copy of a Release and Hold Harmless

 Agreement, executed by Honda Financial on May 30, 2006 five days before Mr.

 Kapiti's scheduled *Krimstock* hearing.
- 6. Attached as Exhibit "E" is a copy of a computer printout produced by defendants, entitled "CEU Voucher Tracking System".
- 7. Attached as Exhibit "F" are copies of correspondence from plaintiff's prior counsel to Honda Financial Services and/or its counsel.
- 8. Attached as Exhibit "G" is a copy of the Certificate of Disposition acquitting Mr. Kapiti of the criminal charges after a trial on the merits.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned respectfully requests that this Court deny defendants' motion in its entirety, with costs and fees pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1988.

Dated: New York, New York January 24, 2008

> <u>Sleven L. Kessler</u> STEVEN L. KESSLER (SK-0426)